

Fort Lowell Historic Zone Advisory Board

Minutes

The Fort Lowell Historic Zone Advisory Board (FLHZAB) held a meeting on Tuesday, November 17, 2009, at 7:00 pm in the McClure Residence, 5440 E. Fort Lowell Road, Tucson, Arizona.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

In attendance: Bob Hastings, Bob Brisley, Elaine Hill, Jo McClure, Karen Zimmermann
Absent: Jim Klien Peggy Sackheim, Carl Ewing,
Guests: Mary Lou Nuttall, Carol Parker

2. Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of Minutes of October 20, 2009
- b. Treasurer's Report

3. Plans Review

Proposed wall for 5328 E. Fort Lowell Rd.

A site visit was conducted on November 13 with the following attendees: property owner, Carol Parker – property owner; Frank Podgorski- City of Tucson; Carl Ewing, Elaine Hill, and Peggy Sackheim – Fort Lowell Historic Zone Advisory Board; and Demion Clinco- Tucson-Pima Historic Commission. Plans for the proposed wall were reviewed, comments were accepted and a revised plan was brought to the meeting. The current proposal is described below:

Proposed wall to replace existing chain link fence at the front, sides and rear of property at 5328 E. Ft. Lowell. Wall to follow the footprint of the existing chain link fence varying to minimize disturbance to existing trees and shrubbery.

Wall to be built of block and plastered with a white finish to match the color, texture, proportions and style of the existing walls on the property, with irregular and rounded edges.

Wall Height: Front property line: 48" per ASHPO Guidelines

Side and rear property line: 48" at the front corners rising to approximately 66", as best works out to meet with existing rear garden walls. At east and west corners of the front elevation the side property line the wall will stair step up to accommodate the change in height to the side walls. Two or three brick layers stretched out, east and west corners to be irregular rises (running south).

Gates: Front elevation: Two gates, same height as the wall, are to be installed in the same locations as the existing gates. The smaller walk gate to be built of open wrought iron work to match the historic window grates and matching garden gates. The larger double gate for vehicle access to be faced with solid wood planks, preferably old, similar in appearance to wooden gate at 5425 E. Fort Lowell.

Back property line: East of house will be a second matching double wood plank gate for vehicle access, height to match the height of the wall at that point. On the west side a small walk-through wrought iron gate will match the smaller gate in the front.

Vegetation: Project will minimize any disturbance to existing vegetation. To preserve vegetation in areas where roots or branches will be negatively affected, the owner plans to modify the wall by a) curving around them, b) niching the wall or c) leaving a gap in the wall.

4. Old Business

a. Monitoring of current projects:

i. San Pedro Chapel reconstruction of the ramp for accessibility at the West Chapel door

ii. Concrete benches at San Pedro Chapel

New drawings have not been received for either project, although it is understood that the modern concrete benches will be replaced.

iii. No updates on other projects.

5. New Business - none

6. Subcommittee Reports

a. Membership – Board moved and approved return of Mary Lou Nuttall to the Board in 2010. She will send letter to the City Clerk to formalize the process.

b. No update on other items.

7 Announcements

c. None

8 Call to the Audience

d. None

9. Future Agenda Items

Next meetings are scheduled for 4th Tuesdays of the month with the exception of December, which will be Dec. 15.

Future meetings: January 26, Feb. 23, Mar. 23, Apr. 27

10. Adjournment